

# Rocky Mountain National Park

Department of the Interior



## Weddings

Congratulations on your forthcoming wedding! Wedding ceremonies are permitted in Rocky Mountain National Park; a non-refundable administrative fee (\$50 to \$200) is charged for a wedding permit. Also, the normal entrance fees are collected when entering the park for the wedding. Carpooling is strongly encouraged as parking space is limited. **Wedding ceremonies conducted in the park require prior written approval from the Chief Park Ranger's Office.** Submit applications up to one year in advance. Information can be obtained by contacting the park at 970-586-1219 or 970-586-1206 or writing to: Chief Park Ranger, Rocky Mountain National Park, Estes Park, CO 80517.

## Ceremony Locations

Weddings are not permitted in public facilities such as visitor centers, roadside turnouts, parking areas, overlooks, or in special wildlife viewing areas.

Most areas--such as Endovalley Road and Upper Beaver Meadows--will accommodate only small groups (10-15 people).

Larger wedding parties may be permitted at Moraine Park Museum Amphitheater (up to 35), at Lily Lake (up to 100), and at the Harbison Meadows (up to 100).

No areas can be reserved for the *exclusive* use of the wedding party. Park programs and activities may be taking place in the same general area.

## Regulations

Park visitor centers, restrooms, and other buildings may not be used for wedding preparations such as dressing, picture-taking, rehearsals, and waiting areas. These facilities *cannot* be used in the event of inclement weather.

Equipment such as tables, chairs, carpets, tents, floral displays, signs, banners, flags, generators and amplifiers *cannot* be used in the park.

Facilities for receptions and parties do not exist in the park.

Throwing and scattering rice, birdseed, flower petals or other materials is *prohibited*.

Normal entrance fees apply to all vehicles associated with the wedding. Lump sum entrance fee payments and advance payments can be made by calling (970) 586-1451.

National Park Service  
Rocky Mountain National Park  
Application for Wedding Permit

Please supply the information requested below. Use additional sheets if necessary. You will be notified of the disposition of the application and the necessary steps to secure your final permit. A non-refundable processing fee (\$50-\$200) will be assessed when the permit is issued. Do not include a check with this application.

**Applicant Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Social Security #** \_\_\_\_\_

**Street/Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City/State/Zip Code:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Daytime Telephone Number(s):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Brief Description of Ceremony:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Requested Location:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Alternate Location:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date (s):** \_\_\_\_\_ **Arrival will begin at:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Event will begin at:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Event will end by:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Maximum Number of Participants (including wedding party):** \_\_\_\_\_ (Please provide best estimate)

**Maximum Number of Vehicles:** \_\_\_\_\_ (Carpooling strongly encouraged)

**Other Information:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Individual (if other than applicant) in charge of event on site:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Are you familiar with / have you visited the requested area(s)?**                      Y            N

The applicant by his or her signature certifies that all the information given is complete and correct, and that no false or misleading information or false statements have been given.

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

Note that this is an application only, and does not serve as permission to conduct a special event in the Park. If your request is approved, a permit containing applicable conditions and regulations will be sent to the person designated on the application.

**Return this application to:**      **Chief Ranger's Office**  
   **Rocky Mountain National Park**  
   **Estes Park, CO 80517**  
   **Phone (970) 586-1219              Fax (970) 586-1397**

**Paperwork Reduction Act Statement:** This information is being collected to allow the park manager to make a valued judgement on whether or not to allow the requested use. All the applicable parts of the form must be completed.